September 26, 1949.

Mr. Denis Flanagan, Managing Editor, Scientific American 24 West 40 Street, New York 18.

Dear Mr. Flanagan,

Nearly five months ago, I sent you a manuscript of an article on sexuality in bacteria for your consideration for publication in the Scientific American. Aside from an acknowledgment for its receipt, May 9, 1949, I have received no further word about it.

I would appreciate it very much if you would let me know what you have done or intend to do concerning the publication of this article.

Yours sincerely.

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